1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 JO ANNE E. HASELTINE, 12 Plaintiff(s), No. C07-1605 BZ 13 v. BRIEFING ORDER 14 MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of Social 15 Security, 16 Defendant(s). 17 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that by Friday, November 16, 2007, 18 each side shall submit a brief of up to 5 pages discussing the 19 2.0 following issues: 21 1. Does an Administrative Law Judge presiding over a Social Security hearing have the authority to offer a 22 23 compromise to a claimant? If so, what is the source of that 24 authority? 25 2. If the administrative law judge is so authorized, are the claimants' due process rights to a hearing pursuant to 20 26 27 /// 28 ///

| 1 | C.F.R. §404.929 et seq. violated by such a compromise |
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